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**** DX INFORMATION ****

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5H - Tev, TA1HZ is now working at a project in Tabora, Tanzania. He has received his licence and will be active as 5H8HZ on the HF bands in his spare time, "mainly in the evenings and every other Sunday". He will upload his log to Club Log, eQSL and LoTW. The direct only route for paper QSLs will be announced sometime in 2023. Tev does not use the bureau.

8Q - Gianpi, IK1TTD will be active holiday style as 8Q7TD from the Maldives (AS-013) on 2-17 October. He will be QRV mainly on 20 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX IK1TTD]

9H - In celebration of the life of the Late Queen Elizabeth II, members of the Marconi Amateur Radio Circle will be active as 9H6QE from 17 September to 14 October. Main activity will be on 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 metres. QSL direct to 9H1MRC.

9K - 9K9KSA is the callsign for the Kuwait Amateur Radio Society to join the celebrations of Saudi National Day on 19-25 September. QSL via EC6DX.

A6 - Also taking part in the celebrations of Saudi National Day will be members of the Emirates Amateur Radio Society as A60ARS (QSL via EA7FTR) on 17-23 September. They may also append a serial number to the special callsign, and be active as A60ARS/1, A60ARS/2, etc. (see qrz.com for the QSL routes).

A9 - The Bahrain Amateur Radio Society, A91ARS will take part in the celebrations of Saudi National Day on 17-23 September. QSL via EC6DX.

CT9 - The CR3SI expedition to Selvagem Grande (AF-047) [425DXN 1635] has been delayed, and it is now expected to take place on 23-26 September. Plans are for five operators (CT1BOL, CT1DSV, CT1ENV, CT3KN and CT3MD) to be QRV on CW, SSB and FT8 as long as possible until they have to leave the island at 11 UTC on 26 September. QSL via CT1DSV.

F - Pat, F8BON expects to be active as TM2RE from Ile de Re (EU-032) until 26 September. He will operate SSB and FT8 on 80-10 metres and 2m. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or via F5MFV.

F - TM10KIY is the special callsign for members of the Radio Club du Pays de Nied (F4KIY) to celebrate their 10th anniversary from 23 September to 7 October. Main activity will be on 80-6 metres SSB and FT8. QSL via the bureau. [TNX F8REF]

FO - Vincent, K6VVK will be active holiday style (about one hour a day) as FO/K6VVK from Moorea (OC-046), French Polynesia from 27 September to 5 October. He will operate SSB, CW and FT8/FT4 on various bands. Neither direct nor bureau cards will be available, but he will upload his log to Club Log, LoTW, eQSL and QRZ.

G - Amateur radio operators in the United Kingdom may use a special

Regional Secondary Locator on 14-19 September to mark the passing and funeral of Her Late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. The RSL - i.e. the second letter in the existing callsign (D, I, J, M, U and W, plus E for Intermediate licences) - may be replaced by the letter 'Q'; where no RSL exists, the letter 'Q' may be added. Club Log will map all the GQ/MQ/2Q callsigns to England, unless a callsign exception exists for the station.

- GI - Celebrating the accession of King Charles III, Brian, GI0RWO has been active as GB0KC since 10 September. QSL via e-mail; send your QSO details to pastorbrianmadden@me.com.
- HS - Look for E21EIC, HS3NBR, HS8GLR and HS9JZL to be active as HS3NBR/p from Maeo Island (AS-145) starting around 8 UTC on 16 September until around 2 UTC on 19 September. They will operate CW, SSB, RTTY, and FT8/4 on 40-10 metres with two stations. QSL via LoTW, or via HS3NBR. [TNX The Daily DX]
- HV - Marija, YU3AWA will be guest operating at HV0A, Vatican City on 17 September starting around 8 UTC until around 13 UTC. QSL direct to IK0FVC, and LoTW.
- IS0 - Luca, IK5AEQ will be active as IM0/IK5AEQ from Maddalena Island (EU-041) on 19-25 September. He will operate SSB and FT8/4 on 40-2 metres, and will also participate in the CQ WW RTTY DX Contest "as a beginner of this mode, so please be patient". QSL via home call (direct or bureau); the log will be uploaded to LoTW and Club Log.
- JA - Take, JI3DST will be active again from Shodo Island (AS-200) between 25 September and 4 November. He will operate SSB and CW as JI3DST/5, JJ5RBH and JS6RRR/5, as well as JS6RRR/p on FT8. The QSOs will be made available for both Club Log and LoTW Matching on the IOTA website. [TNX DX World]
- LU - Look for Hoc LU5BE/GR, Enrique LU8EFF/GR and Vic LU7JMS/GR to be active holiday style from Herradura, in the Argentinian province of Formosa, between 13 and 18 September. They will operate SSB, CW and FT8 on 80-6 metres. QSL via home calls. [TNX LU5BE]
- OH - Gaby, OH/DF9TM and Frank, OH/DL2SWW were QRV from Emasalo Island (EU-097) on 7-8 September, and have been active from Reposaari Island (EU-173) since 14 September. They will remain there until the 19th. See qrz.com for updates. QSLs via home calls, direct or bureau.
- OJ0 - Alex OH5UY (UT5UY), Stain LB5SH and Henri OH3JR will attempt to land at Market Reef (EU-053) during a narrow weather window on 16 September. If they succeed, they will be active as OJ0/UT5UY (CW), OJ0/LB5SH (SSB) and OJ0JR (FT8) for seven days. If the attempt fails, they will be QRV from the Aland Islands (OH0) while waiting for the weather to improve. QSL OJ0/UT5UY via OH5UY, QSL OJ0/LB5SH via LB5SH, QSL OJ0JR via OH3JR.
- P2 - Puiu, YO5BIM has been in Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea (OC-034) since 25 August, and will remain there until 21 September. He is QRV as P29VIM, and can operate CW, SSB, FT8 and JT9 on various bands. QSL via home call and LoTW.
- TN - The Czech DXpedition Group (OK1BOA, OK1CRM, OK1FCJ, OK1GK, OK2ZA, OK2ZC, OK2ZI and OK6DJ) will be active as TN8K from the Congo between 7 and 20 January 2023, with "full operation" expected on 10-19 January, with several stations and a focus on the low bands. They will operate SSB, CW and digital modes (RTTY, FT8, FT4, PSK)

on 160-6 metres and via QO-100 satellite. QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, or via OK6DJ. See <https://www.cdxp.cz/> for more information.

VK9C - VK3QB, VK6CQ, VK6SJ and VK6VY will be active as VK9CM from the Cocos (Keeling) Islands (OC-003) from 26 October to 3 November. They plan to operate CW, SSB and FT8 (F/H) on 80-10 metres ("plus some 6m activity"), and to participate in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest as VK9C. QSLs via EB7DX.

VP5 - Chris, N8CTB will be active as VP5/N8CTB from Middle Caicos (NA-002) on 20-24 September. He will operate SSB on 80, 40, 20, 17 and 15 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

VP8 - Nathan, 2E0HSV (ex M3ILB) is now in Stanley, Falkland Islands working as broadcast engineer at a radio station. When time permits, he will operate SSB and digital modes "across the HF bands" as VP8AAE. He also plans to be QRV "from the various SOTA points across both East and West Falkland". QSL cards "are not something I can offer at the moment", he says, "but I will look into it".

W - The 75th anniversary of the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) is being celebrated over a period of several months by various activities. Special callsign K4C/75 (to distinguish this operation from previous temporary users of the callsign) will be activated until 30 September from locations in northern Virginia. QSL via N4JR. [TNX ARRL]

YJ - Darren, VK4MAP will be active holiday style from Vanuatu between 17 September and 2 October. He will operate SSB on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres as YJ0DA from IOTA group OC-035, and then as YJ0DA/p from Emae Island (OC-111). QSL direct to home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

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CROZET 2022-23 ---> Thierry, F6CUK will leave Reunion Island on board the "Marion Dufresne" on 9 December, and should reach Crozet around Christmas. His plans to be QRV from Crozet for three months [425DXN 1607] might change for the worse: due to "fears of QRM that I could cause with the terrestrial magnetism measurement laboratory located in Crozet", he says, "the expedition risks being shortened and a return in February is mentioned". [TNX F6AJA]

QSL VIA F6BFH ---> Alain, F6BFH was a close friend of Franz, DJ9ZB (SK). He was contacted by the widow and invited to take over the QSL management for the stations that Franz was in charge of. Alain has accepted and has been provided documentation for 4S7RO, 5A1HA, 6Y5/4S7RO, 9X5GG, A71AU, AP2KN, ET3PG, ST2SA, UA2FN, YJ0AUS, YK1AA, YS1RR. [TNX F6AJA]

+ SILENT KEY + Hermann Samson, DJ2BW passed away on 23 August, aged 88. First licenced in 1953, he was an accomplished DXer with 340/393 (Mixed),

340/386 (Phone), 339/357 (CW) and 339/350 (Digital) current/total credited Entities in the DXCC Honor Roll standings, as well as 3138 DXCC Challenge points. During the 1980s and 1990s "his personal DXpeditions provided many DX-friends with new countries, especially on the low bands", his friend Uli, DJ2YA recalls. A former member of the First Class Operators' Club, CW was his primary operating mode. At his home near Trier he designed and built the ETM series of electronic keyers which became very popular in the 1980s - your Editors' Samson ETM-8C has worked flawlessly for thirty years now, and counting. Thank you, Hermann.

QSLs received direct or through managers: 4U1ITU, 5R8LH, 5X4E, 70/DL7ZM, 7P8AB, BA4TB, C91CCY, D44PM, EX8MJ, FR4OP, HK3RD, IF9IDT, JX/LB4MI, PZ5JT, S01WS, T77BL, TK5MH, TO6S (NA-114), V47JA, VK4WTN, VP9UKR, Z61DX, Z66X, ZY0FUN.

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